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SUBJECT: 1975 NSBF BALLOON FLIGHTS

REF: OTTAWA 2677

1. AS EXPECTED, FULL APPROVAL RECEIVED FOR THIS YEAR'S SERIES OF BALLOON FLIGHTS SCHEDULED TO BE LAUNCHED FROM YORKTON, SASK. FOR INFORMATION OF ADDRESSEES, DEPT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS' APPROVAL CONTAINED IN NOTE ECS-765 OF JULY 18. COPIES OF FULL TEXTS OF EMBASSY'S NOTE ECS-765 OF JULY 18. COPIES OF FULL TEXTS OF EMBASSY'S NOTE AND EXTAFF REPLY WILL BE POUCHED ALL ADDRESSEES.

2. FOR NSBF: EXTAFF REPLY SETS FORTH FOLLOWING OPERATIONAL CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO ALL REPEAT ALL FLIGHTS (IT IS EMBASSY'S UNDERSTANDING FROM MEETINGS IN OTTAWA AND TELCONS THAT THESE REQUIREMENTS ARE UNDERSTOOD AND HAVE BEEN APROVIDED FOR. IF, HOWEVER, THERE HAVE BEEN ANY CHANGES OR THERE IS ANY PROBLEM WITH CONDITIONS, PLEASE ADVISE ASAP.);

QUOTE: A) EFFECTIVE SAFETY PRECAUTIONS ARE TAKEN TO INSURE THAT THE BALLON ASCENT AND DESCENT WILL NOT INTERFERE WITH ANY AAIRCRAFT FLIGHTS;

B) SERVICEABLE AND FUNCTION DESTRUCTION DEVICES ARE FITTED AND SET TO OPERATE IN THE EVENT THAT THE BALLOON FAILS TO REACH 70,000 FEET OR INADVERTENTLY DESCENDS BELOW THAT ALTITUDE;

C) A TRANSPONDER ADJUSTED TO MODE A CODE 4400 IS FITTED TO THE  
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SUSPENDED PACKAGE AND SET TO OPERATE AT ALL TIMES WHILE IN THE

AIRSPACE BELOW 70,000 FEET:

D) EFFECTIVE RADAR RELECTORS ARE FITTED TO THE BALLOON AND PACKAGE:

E) FLASHING LIGHTS ARE FITTED TO THE BALLOON SYSTEM AND SET TO OPERATE DURING DARKNESS WHILE IN THE AIRSPACE BELOW 70,000 FEET

F) FLIGHT-FOLLOWING SURVEILLANCE IS CARRIED OUT AT ALL TIMES BY TRACKING AIRCRAFT, RADAR OR A PROVEN TELEMETRY SYSTEM, OR BY VIUAL-RADIO MEANS IN THE LOWER LEVELS IMMEDIAELY AFTER LAUNCH;

G) RADIO COMMAND TERMINATION DEVICES AND SERVICEABLE AND FUNCTIONING REDUNDANCY TIMERS ARE FITTED;

H) A PRE-LAUNCH CLASS I NOTAM IS ISSUED THROUGH THE YORKTON AERADIO STATION AT LEAST 12 HOURS BEFORE THE LAUCHING AND THAT DERELECT BALLOON INFORMATION IS FULLY DISSEMINATED BY INTERNATIONAL CLASS I NOTAM. ALSO, IN THE EVENT THAT DESTRUCTION DEVICES FAIL TO OPERATE, F ULL

AND CONTINUING NOTAM COVERAGE IS GIVEN WITH RESPECT TO THE BALLOON ENTERING THE AIRSPACE BELOW 70,000 FEET:

I) THE TRACKING AIRCRAFT IS TRANSPONDER EQUIPPED AND RADIO CONTACT IS MAINTAINED AT ALL TIMES WITH THE APPROPRIATE IFR AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL UNIT:

J) THE PACKAGE SHALL NOT BE RELEASED UNTIL APPROVAL FOR ITS DESCENT BY PARACHUTE IS OBTAINED FROM THE APPROPRIATE AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL UNIT; AND

K) RELEASE OF THE PACKAGE IS ARRANGED TO IMPACT IN AN UNPOPULATE AREA. UNQUOTE.

3. ALSO FOR NSBF: EXTAFF REPLY MAKES WINNIPEG AREA CONTROL CENTRE YOUR POINT FOR FULL COORDINATION OF FLIGHT DETAILS WITH PROVISION FOR INFORMING OR WHERE NECESSARY COORDINATING WITH AREA CONTROL CENTRES IN EDMONTON AND VANCOUVER.  
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